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1. WITH NEARLY 99 PERCENT OF THE POLLING PLACES REPORTING
AND COUNTING COMPLETED IN 64 OF THE 67 PROVINCES, TURKISH
RADIO REPORTS THE FOLLOWING UNOFFICIAL RESULTS:

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	CONFIRMED SEATS SO FAR	PERCENTAGE OF VOTE
REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP)	210	41.4
JUSTICE PARTY (JP)	185	36.9
NATIONAL SALVATION PARTY (NSP)	25	8.6
NATIONALIST ACTION PARTY (NAP)	15	6.4
REPUBLICAN RELIANCE PARTY (RR)	3	1.9

DEMOCRATIC PARTY (DP)	1	1.9
INDEPENDENTS	4	2.5

2. THESE MOST RECENT RETURNS HAVE FURTHER UNDERMINED ECEVIT'S RPP'S HOPES THAT IT WOULD COME CLOSE ENOUGH TO AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY TO ENABLE IT TO GOVERN WITHOUT A COALITION PARTNER. WE UNDERSTAND FROM RPP SOURCES THAT IT PRESENTLY IS EXPECTING TO WIN ONLY 214 SEATS, LEAVING IT 12 SHORT OF THOSE NECESSARY FOR A MAJORITY IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. (SOME SOURCES THINK THE RPP WILL WIN ONLY 212.) RPP CHAIRMAN ECEVIT'S TASK OF FORMING A GOVERNMENT IS APPEARING INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT. LIKEWISE, IT APPEARS INCREASINGLY LIKELY THAT NSP CHAIRMAN NECMETTIN ERBAKAN, ALTHOUGH HE HAS SUFFERED FROM A SPLIT IN HIS PARTY AND A LOSS OF APPROXIMATELY 15 SEATS IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY MAY END UP AGAIN IN A POSITION TO DICTATE WHETHER ECEVIT OR DEMIREL WILL FORM THE NEXT TURKISH GOVERNMENT. AS THINGS NOW STAND, THE FOUR PARTIES MAKING UP THE DEMIREL COALITION HAVE COLLECTIVELY WON AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY. IN VIEW OF THEIR UNHAPPY EXPERIENCES WITH ONE ANOTHER OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS, HOWEVER, IT IS NOT AT ALL CERTAIN THAT THIS COALITION COULD BE RECONSTITUTED. REGARDLESS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PAST PRACTICES, ECEVIT'S PLURALITY WILL GIVE HIM THE FIRST CHANCE TO FORM A NEW GOVERNMENT.

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